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WE CLAIM:

1. A method of treating Demyelinating Diseases said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula I

$$(R)_{m} \xrightarrow{\downarrow} (R_{1})_{n}$$

$$R_{2}$$

$$(O)_{p}$$

$$I$$

wherein

m is 0, 1 or 2;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

p is 0 or 1;

each R is independently hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, benzyloxy, hydroxy, nitro or amino;

each R₁ is independently hydrogen, C₁-C₆alkyl, C₁-C₆alkenyl,

 C_1 - C_6 alkanoyl, halogen, cyano, - $C(O)C_1$ - C_6 alkyl, - C_1 - C_6 alkyleneCN, - C_1 -

 C_6 alkyleneNR'R" wherein R' and R" are each independently hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl,

-C1-C6alkyleneOC(O)C1-C6alkyl, or -CH(OH)R4 wherein R4 is hydrogen or C1-C6alkyl;

 R_2 is hydrogen, C_1 - C_6 alkyl optionally substituted with halogen, hydroxy or benzyloxy, C_1 - C_6 alkenyl, C_1 - C_6 alkynyl,

- CO_2C_1 - C_6 alkyl, or $-R_5$ -NR' R'' wherein R_5 is C_1 - C_6 alkylene, C_1 - C_6 alkenylene or C_1 - C_6 alkynylene and R' and R'' are each independently hydrogen, C_1 - C_6 alkyl or alternatively the group -NR'R'' as a whole is 1-pyrrolidinyl; and R_3 is hydrogen, nitro, amino, halogen, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, hydroxy or C_1 - C_6 alkyl

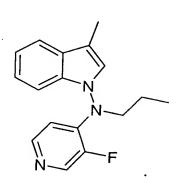
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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein R is hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_1 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_2 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl or halogen; and p is 0.
- 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the Demyelinating Disease is multiple sclerosis.
- 4. The method of claim 2 wherein the compound has the following formula

- 5. The method of claim 4 wherein the Demyelinating Disease is multiple sclerosis.
- 6. A method of treating Demyelinating Conditions said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 7. The method of claim 6 wherein R is hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_1 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_2 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl or halogen; and p is 0.
- 8. The method of claim 6 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Spinal Cord Injury.
- 9. The method of claim 6 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Traumatic Brain Injury.
- 10. The method of claim 6 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Stroke.
- 11. The method of claim 7 wherein the compound has the following formula



- 12. The method of claim 11 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Spinal Cord Injury.
- 13. The method of claim 11 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Traumatic Brain Injury.
- 14. The method of claim 11 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Stroke.
- 15. A method of Stroke Rehabilitation said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 16. The method of claim 14 wherein R is hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_1 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_2 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl or halogen; and p is 0.
- 17. The method of claim 16 wherein the compound has the following formula

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- 18. A method of blocking the potassium channel in a patient in need thereof by administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 19. The method of claim 18 wherein R is hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_1 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_2 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl or halogen; and p is 0.
- 20. The method of claim 19 wherein the compound has the following formula

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5 21. The method of claim 2 wherein the compound has the following formula

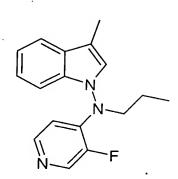
22. The method of claim 7 wherein the compound has the following formula

- 23. The method of claim 22 wherein the demyelinating condition is Spinal Cord Injury.
- 24. The method of claim 22 wherein the demyelinating condition is Traumatic Brain Injury.
 - 25. The method of claim 22 wherein the demyelinating condition is Stroke.

- 26. A method of treating Neuropathic Pain said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 5 27. The method of claim 26 wherein the compound has the following formula:

- 28. A method of treating Bladder Irritation said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 29. The method of claim 28 wherein the compound has the following formula:

- 30. A method of treating Over Active Bladder said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 31. The method of claim 30 wherein the compound has the following formula:



- 32. A method of treating chemokine-induced pain said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 33. The method of claim 32 wherein the compound has the following formula: